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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Office Action mailed on April 10, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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